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Cleaning the Files and Appointing Committees .- The Members to have Their Pay .- Appropriation for the Hospital.

Special Correspondence of THE GAZETTE. 1

SANTA FE, Jan. 22.-Nothing of a very sensational character came up in either house, the work of the session having got to the place where it is a matter of plain business, committees being busy with their work and the house having to act on the reports, and amendments, and on' motions, co-· munications, resolutions, etc., as they come in.

THE DINERO.

A communication was received from the Secretary of the Territory, the Hon. W. G. Ritch stating that the pay rolls would be made out and that the members could receive their checks on Friday. This was welcome news to the members who have been here. nearly three weeks and expected to be paid every ten, instead of every twenty days. The employees however, did not see much cause for rejoleing as only the reduced number will be paid and they at the reduced rate fixed by the last congress.

IN COUNCIL.

The Rev. Fialon was duly sworn in as Chaplain and installed in his posi-

The committee on the part of the council to act with a committee from the house on the matter of reapportioning the territory to conform to the law of Congress allowing but twelve ed which as an element in legislation senators and twenty-four representa- will mark this period as a point from tives was announced. It consists of which to reckon united and judicious

The Geographical location of the members is correct enough and it certainly recognizes the new elements in Territory is represented by able and politics to the fullest extent, possibly to a greater extent than the majority of members of the two houses will endorse. Just here if any where the contest for supremacy will begin.

IN THE HOUSE.

The committee to which was referred the bill making an appropriation for the Santa Fe Hospital to which persons from all parts of the territory are admitted, reported back the bill with amendments giving the institution \$200 per month.

The judiciary committee was directed to get with the judiciary committee or the council in obtaining the opinion of District Attorney Barnes on the construction of the law in relation to the pay of employees.

The council resolution for the apact with a similar committee of the house came up for action and it was the controversy and ride for nothing. determined to appoint six members instead of three. I predicted some days ago that if any conflict arose this looks every inch the veteran that he winter it would be on the matter of a reapportionment and it looks now as though the contest would come but all conflicting interests may be harmonized.

SANTA FE. Jan. 23 .- The legislature to-day showed the effect of last night's reception in the general brushed up look of the members; not that they are not always well dressed, but because there was a slight extra look of smartness about the attire. Every one so far as I can learn, was delighted with this, the first reception of the

IN THE COUNCIL.

Some interest was excited when the bil for reorganizing Santa Ana county came up for discussion; even the upon the floor to take a part and made a very strong appeal for an organization which should be clear of any touch of ring influences. He spoke in Spanish, but broke into Englis i long enough to say that during the last campaign, all that could be said against the republican party was "Santa Fe ring."

relating to lawyers; but what effect office expires with the close of the leany law could have on lawyers, is beyoud my comprehension

A bill wintroduced (C. B. No. 24) regulating the duties of territorial of-

Another bill (C. B. No, 25) is intended to make the tax law more definite in some respects.

IN THE HOUSE.

A memorial to congress was introduced asking the donation of the buildings known as the state house and penitentiary and the lands on which they stand, the same to be completed by the territory for its own use as public buildings. The buildings in question are north of military headgovernment many years ago but to rains.

Later in the day Mr. Seligman, author of the memorial, introduced a bill appropriating \$50,000 towards completing the buildings, after the the state as asked in the memorial. The bill constitutes the governor, chief justice and the attorney general a board to adopt plans and have charge of the work.

CAPITOL OBSERVATIONS.

SANTA FE. Jan. 23, 1880.

Dear GAZETTE: After an absence of two years I again find myself at the City of Holy Faith and as a remarkable coincidence the legislature is in session. Were it not that new faces appear upon the floor of the council chamber, imagination would picture it as having continued in session during the entire two years. But it cannot be for not only new faces but a newer and brighter intelligence has appeareffort in behalf of the public welfare. Yes the council is made up of the best representative material to be found in our Territory. Every section of the well known lawyers; the rest are business men and represent the various business interests of the Territory so that it is fair to presume that the interests of the people will be promoted and protected taxation justly distributed and its burdens made to rest lightly.

Santa Fe is now feeling the full force of the tidal wave of prosperity incident to the rapid construction and near approach of the great railroad. To-day the eastern mails arrived and were distributed before 3 P. M., and the transfer from the postal car to stage was made at Cañoncito 13 miles from here for the first time. It is expected that Parker's omnibus line and the stage company will open a lively competition in the passenger business. pointment of a committee of three to | The public pat both on the back and is no doubt quite willing to promote

General Hatch is at his post commanding district head-quarters and management of the recent diplomatic service imposed upon him by the government under instructions to adjust and settle the Ute difficulty. If his mission failed to fully realize the hopes of his superiors or accomplish the desired results his determined courage and complete forgetfulness of personal safety in the face and within short range of 400 Winchester rifles in the willing hands of 400 blood-thirsty and vindictive savages sustained the dignity and honor of our government, compelled obedience from 25 defiant and savage chiefs and forced the surrender of the criminals demanded. General Hatch was supported by the gallant general Adams and other president, Mr. Chaves, came down members of the commission and eight soldiers!! What a commentory upon the criminal weakness of our Washington government!! General Hatch is now using the limited resources at his command to check the Indian depredations in the southern part of New Mexico and I hear that governor Wallace is organizing a portion of the

militia to aid the troops.

gislative session and a new appointment is likely to be made. The attorneys whose names are mentioned in connection with this appointment are Judge Hubbell of Las Vegas, Springer of Cimarron, Breeden and Fiske of Santa Fe, all of whom are said to be able lawyers and fully qualified for the position. It has been suggested by many members of the legislature and many thoughtful citizens that this district is altogether too large for one attorney to give efficient attendance to the rapidly increasing business pertaining to the office and that the first district should be divided into three districts as follows: The quarters and were commenced by the | counties of Santa Fe and Rio Arriba to compose one, the counties of San work has long since been abandoned | Miguel and Mora one and the counties and the parts constructed are going of Colfax and Taos one, giving to each district a resident district attorney, business would then be prepared for the courts and witnesses summoned to be in attendance on the first day. It is believed that such a change would government shall have ceded them to make criminal prosecutious more prompt and efficient, continuance less frequent and convictions of guilty prisoners more certain. RIVULET.

A Mystery.

The body of an American was found a few days ago on the Dry Cimarron, near a place known as Montoya Springs, about 80 miles east of Trinidad. The body had lain there for some time and the coyotes had attacked the face and disfigured it to the extent that it was unrecognizable. Those who saw it first say that he was killed by being shot with a pistol, one bullet entering the head, while a second passed through the lungs. Who the man is remains a mystery. Not a paper was found with which to identify the body. Nothing but a pocket knife was discovered. There is a supposition that it is the body of a man by the name of Green, who passed through that country about a month ago with a herd of five sheep, and that his herders (Mexicans) had killed him and absconded with the sheep. However. there is nothing positive about it. It seems he had light hair and light whiskers, and a full beard. And there is nothing corroborating the general appearance of the man Green. When found he had nothing more on his person than a shirt, pants and vest. There seems to be no clue whatever by which it can be ascertained who the unfortunate man was.

FURTHER PARTICULARS.

A correspondent of the News interiewed Justice Tabor, of Madison, New Mexico, who held an inquest over the body of the murdered man, on Monday, the 12th instant. He say the body had, without doubt, lain here several mouths. It had literally dried up; weight not more than twenty-five pounds. Hoberg took it by the clothing and lifted it from the wagon with one hand. Justice Tabor is satisfied that the virtim was killed white asleep in camp. The locality was just where one would have bedded a herd of sheep for the night. One hundred yards distant was a public road, along which every sheep herd that passes either northward or southward travproved himself to be in the efficient flour sack, filled with wool, which was his pillow. The coat was off and doubled up, evidently having been placed under the head with the pillow. The coat was well soaked with blood. Near the crown of the head was an ugly wound, made with an axe, or hatchet, from behind. The gray hair indicated advanced age. Justice Tabor preserved a lock of the hair, hoping that it might in future aid in identifying the unfortunate man .- Trinidad News.

> Davenport, Iowa, Jan. 20 .- The Gazette of this city will publish, to-morrow morning, a carefully prepared report of interviews with seventy-nine republican fawyers, business men and other representative citizens as to their presidential preference. All are representative men, and their names given. The result foots up thus: First choice—Blaine, 47: Sherman, 28; Wash burne, 13; and Grant, 11. Second choice-Blaine, 27; Sherman, 20; Washbur-ne, 13, and Grant, 10. Many asserted a preference for Haves had he not declared that he would not accept the eandidature.

Versailles, Jan. 20 .- Jules Favre, the eminent French statesman and republican member of the senate for the department of the Rhone, and also a member of the French academy, died Las Vegas. A bill was introduced in some way Attorney general Waldo's term of last night, aged seventy-one.

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